# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# CIVIL AVIATION
# LOK SABHA

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SECURITY LAPSES AT HYDERABAD AIRPORT
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**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:**

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the newsitem captioned, `Airport Security clears daggers, detonators, grenade on flights` appearing in the Indian Express dated March, 19, 2000;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the action taken by the Government against the Officers responsible in each case; and

(d) the remedial measures taken to strengthen the security at airports?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION

(SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. The news item in question refers to certain security lapses at Hyderabad and Ranchi airports.

(c) Matter has been taken up with the respective State Governments for beefing up of security arrangements. Meanwhile CISF has been deployed, in place of State Police, for security duties at Hyderabad and Ranchi in addition to certain other airports.

(d) The following measures have been taken to further strengthen security at the airports:

i)Deployment of CISF in place of State Police for security duties at the operational airports in a phased manner. The CISF has already taken over the security duties at Patna, Jaipur, Guwahati, Vadodara, Port Blair, Rajkot, Ranchi, Agartala, Bhopal, Hyderabad and Ahmedabad.

ii)Frisking of passengers and hand baggage at the time of entry into sterile area has been tightened. Ladder-point secondary frisking has been introduced.

iii)Strict control on access to the airports is being ensured by comprehensive review of Photo Identity Cards to restrict the number of pass-holders.

iv)Deployment of Sky Marshals on flights at random basis as an added safety precaution.

v)Replacement of old X-Ray machines and installation of new colour X-Ray machines wherever necessaryso as to ensure that atleast two X-Ray machines are available at every point.

vi)Modernisation and upgradation of security related technological set up at the airports is being done in a phased manner.